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	MEMORANDUM FOR:	Deputy Director for Administration		
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		Deputy to the DCI for Collection Tasking		
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		Executive Secretary		
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	FROM :			
		Office of General Counsel		
	SUBJECT :	Executive Order on National Security Information		
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	Attached for y	our information is a copy of the most recent draft, date	:d	
20 April 1978, of the proposed Executive order on classification. With the				
	possible exception of	f section 4(e)(3), which is being discussed with the		
	Department of Defens	se, this version is to be sent to OMB for review and ed	iting	
	before submission to	the President for approval. In addition, efforts are no	wc	
	under way to draft a	directive to implement this Order. Please do not hesis	ate	
	to contact me	if you have any questions or comments.		
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EXECUTIVE ORDER

NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the United States of America; in order to balance the public's interest in access to government information with the need to protect certain national security information from disclosure, it is hereby ordered as follows:

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